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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT and AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the second Office action of restriction dated 14 September 2004, please consider the election appearing below and also amend the captioned application as follows:

Applicant's election appears on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby provisionally elect the claims of newly defined Group II, i.e., claims 14–20 and the herein newly added dependent claims 21-26 for current examination on the merits.